

Thursday, March 5, 2015 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Love the Rio Hondo and San Gabriel River? Now's your chance to dive into plans to Keep Local Waterways Clean

A public meeting to gather comments on how to keep San Gabriel Valley communities clean and protect local rivers, lakes and beaches from pollution will be held on Monday, March 9, from 9 to 11 a.m., in the Palm Room of the Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden in Arcadia.

The public input is a key component of a coordinated water quality planning effort by local and regional agencies including Los Angeles County and the cities of Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Bradbury, Covina, Duarte, Glendora, Industry, La Puente, Monrovia and Sierra Madre.

The group has been working for more than a year to develop strategies to clean up local waterways that lead to the ocean. During Monday's meeting, the public will have a chance to learn more about goals and strategies under consideration, and will be able to take part in a group discussion of multi-benefit projects, which incorporate increased flood protection with community improvements such as recreation and habitat restoration.

The Arboretum is located at 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, 91007. For more information about the meeting or water quality improvement plans for the San Gabriel Valley, contact Linda Lee Miller at (626) 458-7148 or llee@dpw.lacounty.gov.

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